

April 4, 2002

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Mr. William F. Caton  
Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Room TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

**RE: Ex Parte Presentation in WT Docket No. 01-184**

Dear Mr. Caton:

This is to inform you that Joseph Franlin, Tom McGarry, and the undersigned, all of NeuStar, Inc., met with Jared Carlson, Pat Forster, and Jennifer Salhus of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Diane Griffin and Cheryl Callahan of the Wireline Competition Bureau, to discuss issues relating to the *Verizon Wireless Petition Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160 for Partial Forbearance from the Commercial Mobile Radio Services Number Portability Obligation* in the above-referenced docket. We focused our discussion on concerns raised in the record regarding the ability and readiness of NeuStar, as the administrator of the National Portability Administration Center (NPAC) to implement wireless local number portability (WLNP) and National Thousands Block Number Pooling simultaneously.

We discussed a letter filed by NeuStar with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on April 2, 2002 that identified responses to comments made in a letter from CTIA to the FCC.<sup>1</sup> A copy of the April 2, 2002 letter from NeuStar to the FCC is attached to this filing. In particular, we described NeuStar's investments made and steps taken to expand the capacity and functionality of the NPAC and provided an update on the status of NPAC capabilities. In addition, we discussed procedures undertaken by NeuStar and the industry in the course of the successful implementation of wireline local number portability. NeuStar encouraged the Commission to consider putting in place a deployment or roll out schedule for number portability, so that NeuStar would be able to determine which carriers were planning to interact directly with the NPAC

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<sup>1</sup> Letter dated April 2, 2002, from Joseph F. Franlin, Senior Vice President, Operations, to Mr. Tom Sugrue, Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Ms. Dorothy Attwood, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, addressing issues raised in a letter dated March 28, 2002, from Michael Altschul, Senior Vice President for Policy and Administration and General Counsel, CTIA.

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to implement wireless number portability. It is NeuStar's belief that an official rollout and testing schedule would help to ensure efficient and successful implementation of the Commission's requirements.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, one electronic copy of this letter is being submitted via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System for inclusion in the public record of the above-referenced proceeding. If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

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Attachment

cc: Mr. Jared Carlson  
Mr. Pat Forster  
Ms. Jennifer Salhus  
Ms. Diane Griffin  
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